

# **Montgomery County Indicators**

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Regional/National Benchmarking with Peer Jurisdictions

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# **Montgomery County's Eight Priority Objectives (a.k.a. Results)**

- A Responsive and Accountable County Government
- Affordable Housing in an Inclusive Community
- An Effective and Efficient Transportation Network
- Children Prepared to Live and Learn
- Healthy and Sustainable Communities
- Safe Streets and Secure Neighborhoods
- A Strong and Vibrant Economy
- Vital Living for All of Our Residents

The Eight Priority Objectives were developed by a group of 100 community representatives during the 2006 County Executive Leggett Transition.



# Measuring and Quantifying the County's Progress in Each of the Eight Priority Objectives

- **Indicators:** Sets of data that represent a high-level barometer of County performance and reflect the quality-of-life in Montgomery County. Indicators are influenced by multiple departments and subject to external factors often beyond the control of County government.
  - Level of Analysis: National/Regional
- **Headline Performance Measures:** Outcome-based measures that monitor results achieved by County departments.
  - Level of Analysis: National/Regional and Internal
- **Performance Sub-Measures:** Measures that link budget items to departmental Headline Performance Measures and monitor results achieved at programmatic level.
  - Level of Analysis: Internal

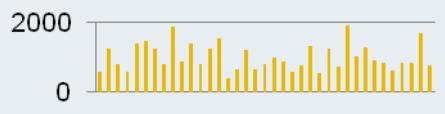


# Interrelationship of Priority Objectives, County Performance, Departmental Performance, and Results-Based Budgeting

Eight Priority Objectives

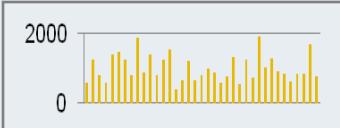


Indicators



County Performance

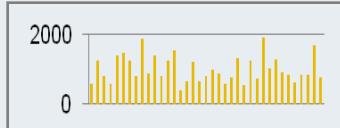
Headline Performance Measures



Department Performance Plans



Performance Sub-Measures



Results-Based Budgeting

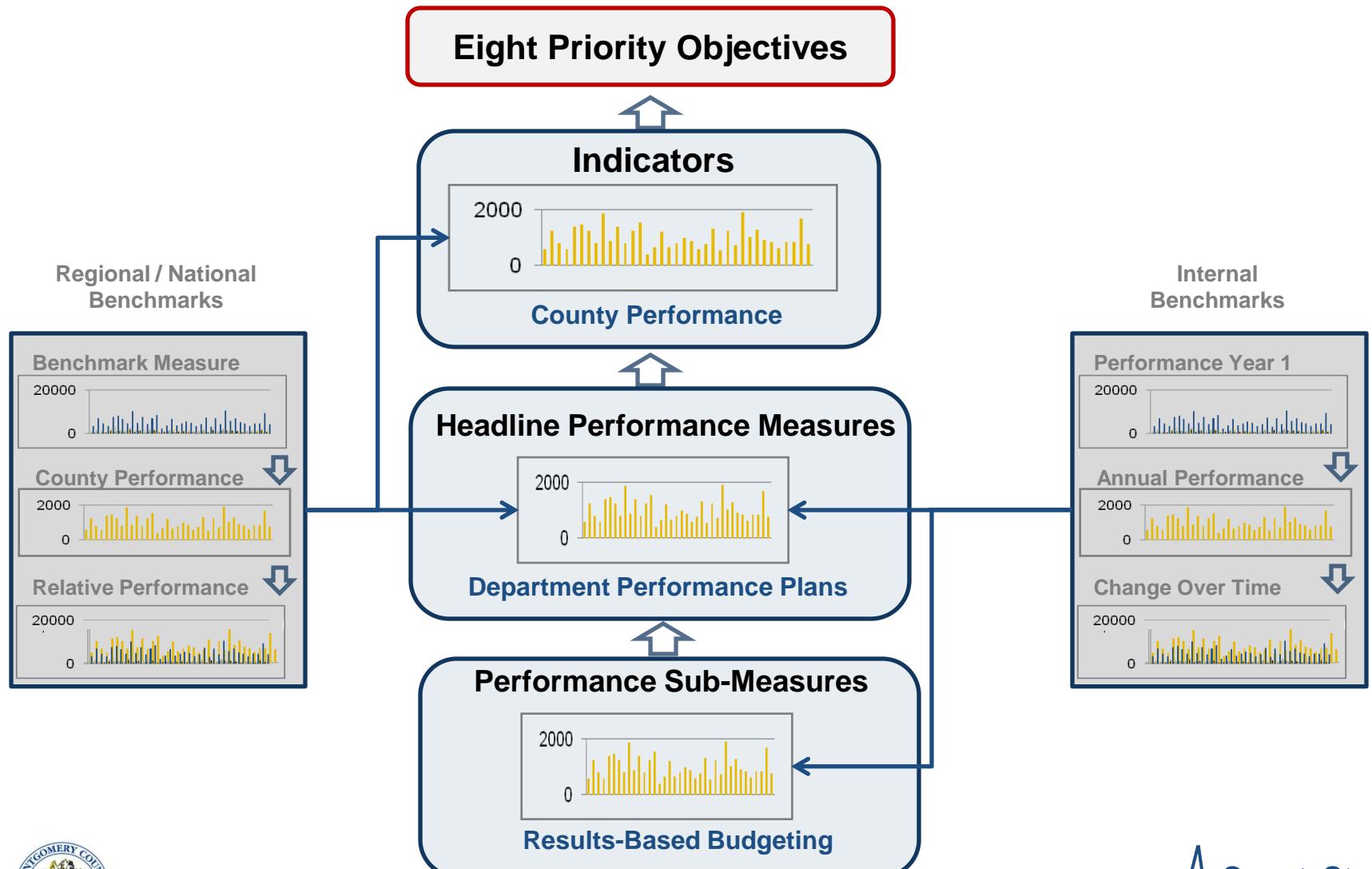


# Characteristics of Indicators

- **Impacted by multiple departments and subject to external factors potentially beyond County government's control.**
- **Important and common enough that data is collected annually or biannually by a third party at the national and/or regional level:**
  - Crime rate (collected annually by the FBI)
  - Median household income (collected annually by the Census Bureau's American Community Survey)
  - Poverty rate (collected annually by the Census Bureau's American Community Survey)



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# Benchmarking Methodology: Regional Level

## Criteria for selecting regional jurisdictions

- Inclusion in the Metropolitan Council of Governments (COG)
- Other local jurisdictions commonly compared against

### Regional jurisdictions

- **Maryland**
  - Montgomery County
  - Prince George's County
  - Howard County
  - Frederick County
  - Baltimore County
- **Virginia**
  - Fairfax County
  - Arlington County
  - Loudoun County
  - Prince William County
- **District of Columbia**

**There are a total of 10 jurisdictions included in the regional benchmark.**



# Benchmarking Methodology: National Level

## Criteria for selecting national jurisdictions

- Selected only counties in which there was a county government
- Counties must be mostly suburban in nature – no major metropolitan downtown areas within its jurisdiction
- Similar income profile
  - Median household income and/or per capita income must be no lower than 75% of Montgomery County's
- Goodness of fit using 10 variables collected by the Census Bureau's annual American Community Survey (ACS)

**There are a total of 35 counties in 15 metropolitan areas included in the national benchmark.**



# Benchmarking Methodology: Variables and Criteria

| Variable   | Criteria    |
|--|-------------|
| Percent of population that is foreign born                                 | MC +/- 10%  |
| Percent of population who lived in a different house one year ago          | MC +/- 10%  |
| Percent of people 25 years and over who have completed a Bachelor's degree | MC +/- 10%  |
| Percent of people who speak a language other than English at home          | MC +/- 10%  |
| Percent of people below poverty level in the last 12 months                | MC +/- 5%   |
| Percent of the total population who are 65 years and over                  | MC +/- 10%  |
| Percent of occupied housing units that are owner-occupied                  | MC +/- 10%  |
| Median housing value of owner-occupied housing units                       | > 75% of MC |
| Median household income  | > 75% of MC |
| Per capita income  | > 75% of MC |



Benchmark was constructed using data from the 2006 American Community Survey

# Jurisdictions in the National Benchmark

| Metro Area                 | Jurisdictions  | Metro Area                        | Jurisdictions   |
|----------------------------|--|-----------------------------------|---|
| <b>DC</b>                  | Montgomery County, MD<br>Howard County, MD<br>Anne Arundel County, MD<br>Fairfax County, VA<br>Arlington County, VA<br>Loudoun County, VA<br>Prince William County, VA | <b>Philadelphia</b>               | Bucks County, PA<br>Chester County, PA<br>Montgomery County, PA                               |
| <b>New York</b>            | Nassau County, NY<br>Rockland County, NY<br>Suffolk County, NY<br>Westchester County, NY<br>Bergen County, NJ  | <b>San Francisco</b>              | Contra Costa County, CA<br>Marin County, CA<br>San Mateo County, CA<br>Santa Clara County, CA |
| <b>Newark/<br/>Trenton</b> | Morris County, NJ<br>Somerset County, NJ<br>Middlesex County, NJ<br>Monmouth County, NJ  | <b>Los Angeles</b>                | Ventura County, CA  |
| <b>Milwaukee</b>           | Waukesha County, WI  | <b>Chicago</b>                    | DuPage County, IL<br>Lake County, IL  |
| <b>Denver</b>              | Douglas County, CO   | <b>Indianapolis</b>               | Hamilton County, IN   |
|                            |  | <b>Detroit</b>                    | Oakland County, MI  |
|                            |  | <b>Minneapolis –<br/>St. Paul</b> | Dakota County, MN<br>Washington County, MN  |
|                            |  | <b>Dallas</b>                     | Collin County, TX   |
|                            |  | <b>Houston</b>                    | Fort Bend County, TX  |
|                            |  | <b>Kansas City</b>                | Johnson County, KS  |



## Appendix

# Results Area: Affordable Housing in an Inclusive Community Benchmarked Communities

|   | Montgomery County, MD | Howard County, MD | Anne Arundel County, MD | Baltimore County, MD | Frederick County, MD | Prince George's County, MD | District of Columbia | Fairfax County, VA | Arlington County, VA | Loudoun County, VA | Prince William County, VA | Nassau County, NY | Rockland County, NY | Suffolk County, NY | Westchester County, NY | Bergen County, NJ | Morris County, NJ | Somerset County, NJ | Middlesex County, NJ | Monmouth County, NJ | Waukesha County, WI | Douglas County, CO | Bucks County, PA | Chester County, PA | Montgomery County, PA | Contra Costa County, CA | Marin County, CA | San Mateo County, CA | Santa Clara County, CA | Ventura County, CA | DuPage County, IL | Lake County, IL | Hamilton County, IN | Oakland County, MI | Dakota County, MN | Washington, MN | Collin County, TX | Fort Bend County, TX | Johnson County, KS |
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| Home Ownership Rate   | x                     | x                 | x                       | x                    | x                    | x                          | x                    | x                  | x                    | x                  | x                         | x                 | x                   | x                  | x                      | x                 | x                 | x                   | x                    | x                   | x                   | x                  | x                | x                  | x                     | x                       | x                | x                    | x                      | x                  | x                 | x               | x                   | x                  | x                 |                |                   |                      |                    |
| Housing Burden - Homeowners                                 | x                     | x                 | x                       | x                    | x                    | x                          | x                    | x                  | x                    | x                  | x                         | x                 | x                   | x                  | x                      | x                 | x                 | x                   | x                    | x                   | x                   | x                  | x                | x                  | x                     | x                       | x                | x                    | x                      | x                  | x                 | x               | x                   | x                  |                   |                |                   |                      |                    |
| Housing Burden - Renters                                    | x                     | x                 | x                       | x                    | x                    | x                          | x                    | x                  | x                    | x                  | x                         | x                 | x                   | x                  | x                      | x                 | x                 | x                   | x                    | x                   | x                   | x                  | x                | x                  | x                     | x                       | x                | x                    | x                      | x                  | x                 | x               | x                   | x                  |                   |                |                   |                      |                    |
| Median Value of Owner Occupied Housing Units                | x                     | x                 | x                       | x                    | x                    | x                          | x                    | x                  | x                    | x                  | x                         | x                 | x                   | x                  | x                      | x                 | x                 | x                   | x                    | x                   | x                   | x                  | x                | x                  | x                     | x                       | x                | x                    | x                      | x                  | x                 | x               | x                   | x                  |                   |                |                   |                      |                    |
| Average Number of Days on Market (Regional only)            | x                     | x                 |                         | x                    | x                    | x                          | x                    | x                  | x                    | x                  | x                         |                   |                     |                    |                        |                   |                   |                     |                      |                     |                     |                    |                  |                    |                       |                         |                  |                      |                        |                    |                   |                 |                     |                    |                   |                |                   |                      |                    |
| Median Gross Rent   | x                     | x                 | x                       | x                    | x                    | x                          | x                    | x                  | x                    | x                  | x                         | x                 | x                   | x                  | x                      | x                 | x                 | x                   | x                    | x                   | x                   | x                  | x                | x                  | x                     | x                       | x                | x                    | x                      | x                  | x                 | x               | x                   |                    |                   |                |                   |                      |                    |
| Number of Homeless Persons Per 100,000 Population           | x                     | x                 | x                       |                      |                      |                            |                      | x                  | x                    | x                  | x                         | x                 | x                   | x                  | x                      | x                 | x                 | x                   | x                    | x                   | x                   | x                  | x                | x                  | x                     | x                       | x                | x                    | x                      | x                  | x                 | x               | x                   | x                  |                   |                |                   |                      |                    |
| Number of Home Sales Per 100,000 Population (Regional only) | x                     | x                 |                         | x                    | x                    | x                          | x                    | x                  | x                    | x                  | x                         |                   |                     |                    |                        |                   |                   |                     |                      |                     |                     |                    |                  |                    |                       |                         |                  |                      |                        |                    |                   |                 |                     |                    |                   |                |                   |                      |                    |
| Total Number of Foreclosure Events                          | x                     | x                 | x                       |                      | x                    |                            | x                    | x                  | x                    | x                  | x                         | x                 | x                   | x                  | x                      | x                 | x                 | x                   | x                    | x                   | x                   | x                  | x                | x                  | x                     | x                       | x                | x                    | x                      | x                  | x                 | x               | x                   |                    |                   |                |                   |                      |                    |

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# Results Area: An Effective and Efficient Transportation Network Benchmarked Communities

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| Mean Travel Time to Work/Commute Time                               | x                     | x                 | x                       | x                    | x                    | x                          | x                    | x                  | x                    | x                  | x                         | x                 | x                   | x                  | x                      | x                 | x                 | x                   | x                    | x                   | x                   | x                  | x                | x                  | x                     | x                       | x                | x                    | x                      | x                  | x                 | x               | x                   | x                  | x                 |                |                   |                      |                    |
| Percent of People Taking Public Transportation to Work              | x                     | x                 | x                       | x                    | x                    | x                          | x                    | x                  | x                    | x                  | x                         | x                 | x                   | x                  | x                      | x                 | x                 | x                   | x                    | x                   | x                   | x                  | x                | x                  | x                     | x                       | x                | x                    | x                      | x                  | x                 | x               | x                   | x                  |                   |                |                   |                      |                    |
| Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) Per 100,000 Population (Regional only) | x                     | x                 | x                       | x                    | x                    | x                          | x                    | x                  | x                    | x                  | x                         | x                 | x                   | x                  | x                      | x                 | x                 | x                   | x                    | x                   | x                   | x                  | x                | x                  | x                     | x                       | x                | x                    | x                      | x                  | x                 | x               | x                   | x                  |                   |                |                   |                      |                    |
| Traffic Fatalities Per 100,000 Population                           | x                     | x                 | x                       | x                    | x                    | x                          | x                    | x                  | x                    | x                  | x                         | x                 | x                   | x                  | x                      | x                 | x                 | x                   | x                    | x                   | x                   | x                  | x                | x                  | x                     | x                       | x                | x                    | x                      | x                  | x                 | x               | x                   | x                  |                   |                |                   |                      |                    |

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## Results Area: Children Prepared to Live and Learn Benchmarked Communities

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| Percent of County children who are fully ready for kindergarten (Maryland only)          | x                     | x                 | x                       | x                    | x                    | x                          | x                    |                    |                      |                    |                           |                   |                     |                    |                        |                   |                   |                     |                      |                     |                     |                    |                  |                    |                       |                         |                  |                      |                        |                    |                   |                 |                     |                    |                       |                   |                |                   |                      |                    |
| Percent of students passing the MSAs with a score of proficient or above (Maryland only) | x                     | x                 | x                       | x                    | x                    | x                          | x                    |                    |                      |                    |                           |                   |                     |                    |                        |                   |                   |                     |                      |                     |                     |                    |                  |                    |                       |                         |                  |                      |                        |                    |                   |                 |                     |                    |                       |                   |                |                   |                      |                    |
| Graduation rate  | x                     | x                 | x                       | x                    | x                    | x                          | x                    | x                  | x                    | x                  | x                         | x                 | x                   | x                  | x                      | x                 | x                 | x                   | x                    | x                   | x                   | x                  | x                | x                  | x                     | x                       | x                | x                    | x                      | x                  | x                 |                 |                     |                    |                       |                   |                |                   |                      |                    |
| Average SAT composite score (Regional only)  | x                     | x                 | x                       |                      | x                    |                            | x                    | x                  | x                    | x                  | x                         |                   |                     |                    |                        |                   |                   |                     |                      |                     |                     |                    |                  |                    |                       |                         |                  |                      |                        |                    |                   |                 |                     |                    |                       |                   |                |                   |                      |                    |
| Percent of mothers who have early prenatal care  | x                     | x                 | x                       | x                    | x                    | x                          | x                    | x                  | x                    | x                  | x                         |                   |                     |                    |                        | x                 | x                 | x                   | x                    | x                   | x                   | x                  | x                | x                  | x                     | x                       | x                | x                    | x                      | x                  | x                 | x               |                     |                    |                       |                   |                |                   |                      |                    |
| Percent of children on free or reduced lunch (FARMS)                                     | x                     | x                 | x                       | x                    | x                    | x                          | x                    | x                  | x                    | x                  | x                         | x                 | x                   | x                  | x                      | x                 | x                 | x                   | x                    | x                   | x                   | x                  | x                | x                  | x                     | x                       | x                | x                    | x                      | x                  | x                 |                 |                     |                    |                       |                   |                |                   |                      |                    |
| Teen pregnancy rate  | x                     | x                 | x                       | x                    | x                    | x                          | x                    | x                  | x                    | x                  | x                         | x                 | x                   | x                  | x                      | x                 | x                 | x                   | x                    | x                   | x                   | x                  | x                | x                  | x                     | x                       | x                | x                    | x                      | x                  | x                 |                 |                     |                    |                       |                   |                |                   |                      |                    |

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| Number of days when air quality was good, moderate, unhealthy for sensitive groups, or unhealthy | x                     | x                 | x                       | x                    | x                    | x                          | x                    | x                  | x                    | x                 | x                         | x                 | x                   | x                  | x                      | x                 | x                 | x                   | x                    | x                   | x                   | x                  | x                | x                  | x                     | x                       | x                | x                    | x                      | x                  | x                 | x               | x                   | x                  |                       |                   |                   |                      |                    |
| Maryland Recycling Act Rate (Maryland only)  | x                     | x                 | x                       | x                    | x                    | x                          |                      |                    |                      |                   |                           |                   |                     |                    |                        |                   |                   |                     |                      |                     |                     |                    |                  |                    |                       |                         |                  |                      |                        |                    |                   |                 |                     |                    |                       |                   |                   |                      |                    |
| Percent of adults with health coverage   | x                     | x                 | x                       | x                    | x                    | x                          |                      |                    |                      |                   |                           | x                 | x                   | x                  | x                      | x                 |                   |                     |                      | x                   | x                   |                    |                  |                    |                       |                         |                  | x                    | x                      | x                  |                   |                 | x                   |                    |                       |                   |                   |                      |                    |
| Infant mortality rate (deaths per 1,000 live births)   | x                     | x                 | x                       | x                    | x                    | x                          |                      | x                  | x                    | x                 | x                         | x                 | x                   | x                  | x                      |                   |                   |                     | x                    | x                   | x                   | x                  | x                | x                  | x                     | x                       | x                | x                    | x                      | x                  | x                 | x               | x                   | x                  |                       |                   |                   |                      |                    |
| Injury-related death rate  | x                     | x                 | x                       | x                    | x                    | x                          |                      | x                  | x                    | x                 | x                         | x                 | x                   | x                  | x                      | x                 | x                 | x                   | x                    | x                   | x                   | x                  | x                | x                  | x                     | x                       | x                | x                    | x                      | x                  | x                 | x               | x                   |                    |                       |                   |                   |                      |                    |
| Chlamydia case rate  | x                     | x                 | x                       | x                    | x                    | x                          |                      | x                  | x                    | x                 | x                         | x                 | x                   | x                  | x                      | x                 | x                 | x                   | x                    | x                   | x                   | x                  | x                | x                  | x                     | x                       | x                | x                    | x                      | x                  | x                 | x               | x                   |                    |                       |                   |                   |                      |                    |
| Percent of heavy drinkers in the County  | x                     | x                 | x                       | x                    | x                    | x                          |                      |                    |                      |                   |                           | x                 | x                   | x                  | x                      | x                 |                   |                     | x                    | x                   |                     |                    |                  |                    |                       | x                       | x                | x                    |                        |                    | x                 |                 |                     | x                  |                       |                   |                   |                      |                    |
| Percent of adults who are current smokers in the County  | x                     | x                 | x                       | x                    | x                    | x                          |                      |                    |                      |                   |                           | x                 | x                   | x                  | x                      | x                 |                   |                     | x                    | x                   |                     |                    |                  |                    |                       | x                       | x                | x                    |                        |                    | x                 |                 |                     | x                  |                       |                   |                   |                      |                    |
| Acres of farmland in the County  | x                     | x                 | x                       | x                    | x                    | x                          |                      | x                  | x                    | x                 | x                         | x                 | x                   | x                  | x                      | x                 | x                 | x                   | x                    | x                   | x                   | x                  | x                | x                  | x                     | x                       | x                | x                    | x                      | x                  | x                 | x               | x                   |                    |                       |                   |                   |                      |                    |

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## **Results Area: Safe Streets and Secure Neighborhoods Benchmarked Communities**

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## **Results Area: A Strong and Vibrant Economy Benchmarked Communities**

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